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Textile substrate having coating containing multiphase fluorochemical, organic cationic material, and sorbant polymer thereon, for image printing

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STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 3.73(b)

Milliken & Company states that it is the Assignee of the entire right, title, and interest in the patent application-patent identified above by virtue of an Assignment from the inventors Elizabeth Cates, Daniel McBride, William Kimbrell, and Kirkland, which is recorded in the Patent and Trademark Office at Reel 012680, Frame 0066, for which a copy thereof is attached.

The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is empowered to sign this statement on behalf of the Assignee.

Vice President and Senior General Counsel

MILLIKEN & COMPANY

Reg. No. 26,008

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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, We, Elizabeth Cates, Daniel T. McBride, William C. Kimbrell, Kirkland W. Vogt, citizens of United States of America, residing respectively at 330 Rice Planters Lane, Duncan, SC 29334, County of Spartanburg, State of South Carolina; 3412 Fairfield Road, Chesnee, SC 29323, County of Spartanburg, State of South Carolina; 106 Rivergate Trace, Spartanburg, SC 29303, County of Spartanburg, State of South Carolina; and 19 Staffordshire Way, Simpsonville, SC 29681, County of 5339Greenville, State of South Carolina, have invented certain new and useful improvements in TEXTILE SUBSTRATE HAVING COATING CONTAINING MULTIPHASE FLUORCHEMICAL, ORGANIC CATIONIC MATERIAL, AND SORBANT POLYMER THEREON, FOR IMAGE PRINTING for which we executed an application for Letters Patent of the United States on October 2, 2001 as Application Serial Number 10/044,166; and

WHEREAS, MILLIKEN & COMPANY, a Corporation, organized under the laws of the State of Delaware and located at Spartanburg, in the County of Spartanburg and State of South Carolina, is desirous of obtaining the entire right, title and interest in, to and under the said improvements and the said application:

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) to each of us in hand paid, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we, the said Elizabeth Cates, Daniel T. McBride, William C. Kimbrell, Kirkland W. Vogt have sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and by these presents do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over unto the said MILLIKEN & COMPANY, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in, to and under the said improvements, and the said application and all divisions, renewals and continuations thereof, and all Letters Patent of the United States which may be granted thereon and all reissues and extensions thereof, and all applications for Letters Patent which may hereafter be filed for said improvements in any country or countries foreign to the United States and all divisions, renewals and continuations thereof, and all Letters Patent of countries foreign to the United States which may be granted thereon and all reissues and extensions thereof; and we hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents of the United States and any Official of any country or countries foreign to the United States, whose duty it is to issue patents on applications as aforesaid, to issued all Letters Patent for said improvements to the said MILLIKEN & COMPANY, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, in accordance with the terms of this instrument.

AND WE HEREBY covenant that we have full right to convey the entire interest herein assigned, and that we have not executed, and will not execute, any agreement in conflict herewith.

AND WE HEREBY further covenant that we will communicate to the said Corporation, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, any facts known to us respecting said improvements, and testify in any legal proceeding, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuing and reissue applications, make all rightful oaths and generally do everything possible to aid the said Corporation, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, to obtain and enforce proper patent protection for said improvements in all countries.

IN TESTIMONY, WHEREOF, we hereunto set our hands and seals on ..., 2002.

(L.S.)

Daniel T. McBride

(L.S.)

William C. Kimbrell

(L.S.)

Notary Public

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)

) ss

COUNTY OF SPARTANBURG)

On ________, 2002, before me, a Notary Public in and for the State and County aforesaid, personally appeared Elizabeth Cates; Daniel T. McBride, William C. Kimbrell, Kirkland W. Vogt, severally to me known and known to me to be the several persons described in and who severally signed and sealed the foregoing instrument and severally acknowledged the same to be their free act and deed.

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My Commission Expires
July 31st, 2010